

ALLIES ADVANCE OVER BIG HEAPS OF GERMAN DEAD

Withering Fire Poured Out
by British Guns Melts
Away the Great Masses of
Men Hurling in by the Kaiser
to Stop the Steady
Progress Near Bullecourt

SAPPING OF HIS LINE GOES STEADILY ON

Austria Is Menaced by Big
Italian Offensive and Vi-
enna Admits Losses, Al-
though Claiming That at
Most Points Attack Failed
—French Repulse Six At-
tacks on the Aisne

The Germans have piled high their
dead before the British lines, but have
failed to stop the British advance. Most
furious and sustained counter attacks
have withered before the blast of British
artillery and the sapping of the Hinden-
burg lines goes on slowly and without
halt.

Possibly more ominous for Berlin, in
view of the uncertain conditions of her
Austrian ally, however, is the news of a
great blow struck by Italy in the direction
of Trieste. The Italians have opened
their spring offensive in a brilliant fashion.
The allied offensive in Macedonia also
continues with considerable success
for the British forces.

London, May 17.—The British have
made further progress in the village of
Bullecourt and have reached the eastern
edge of the hamlet, according to an
official statement from the British war
office.

Paris, May 17.—Six assaults by Ger-
mans on the French lines have been
repulsed with heavy losses, according to an
official statement to-day. Three at-
tacks were made north of Moulin de
Laffaux and three northeast of Dray en
Laonnais.

London, May 17.—An official state-
ment issued by the Austrian war office
Wednesday admits gains for the Italians
in the fighting on the Isonzo front, but
claims the repulse of a majority of the
attacks and the capture of 2,000 prisoners.

25 SHIPS SUNK.

British Loss Shows a Considerable De-
crease.

London, May 17.—Eighteen British
merchant vessels of more than 1,600 tons
were sunk during the past week, says
the official summary of shipping losses
issued yesterday. Five merchant ships
of less than 1,600 tons were sunk, together
with three fishing vessels.

The summary:
All nationalities, arrivals, 2,568; sail-
ings, 2,552.
British vessels, mined, submarine and
sunk, over 1,600 tons, including one pre-
viously, 18; under 1,600 tons, five.
British merchantmen unsuccessfully
attacked, including five previously, 19.
British fishing vessels sunk, three.

SINCE MAY 4

American Warships Have Been Operat-
ing in British Waters.

Washington, D. C., May 17.—Formal
announcement that American destroyers
manned by picked crews have carried
the flag into the war zones of Europe
and are operating against German sub-
marines was made last night by Secretary
Daniels after the news had come from
London. The number and names of the
vessels were not disclosed. It was
made clear, however, that the fighting
power of the nation was to be exerted to
its utmost to stamp out the U-boat men-
ace.

The secretary's naval vessels have been
operating with the allied naval forces
in European waters since May 4. A
number of destroyers sailed from Amer-
ican ports in the latter part of April
and all arrived at their destination
without accident or delay of any kind.
They were ready for operations when
they arrived and went into service im-
mediately.

"The United States vessels are under
command of Rear-Admiral Sims, who
went to England and France and France
several weeks ago to arrange for active
co-operation between the naval forces
of the United States and those of the
other nations at war with Germany.
Plans formulated after reports from
Rear-Admiral Sims, made as a result
of his conferences with the British and
French admirals, are now being effectuated.

"It has been the purpose of the United
States navy to give the largest measure
of assistance to the other countries
at war with Germany that is consistent
with the full and complete protection
of our own coasts and territorial waters.

"The navy department has received
no reports that engagements have
occurred between the United States ves-
sels now in European waters and the
vessels of the enemy.

Notice to Band Musicians

All musicians of Barre and Montpelier,
including members of the old Citizens'
band and the military band, who will
consent to play in the parade Saturday
are asked to meet in the rooms of the
Italian Pleasure club, Scamplin block,
this (Thursday) evening at 8:30 o'clock.
The meeting is called to organize for the
purpose of leading the parade.

Italian Parade Committee.

ASKS REDMOND'S VIEWS.

After Explaining Government Attitude
on Home Rule Question.

London, May 17.—The British prime
minister yesterday sent a letter to John
Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalist
party, outlining the government's pro-
ject for the settlement of the home rule
question. He asked Mr. Redmond to
state his views on the government's
suggestions in order that the government
may be able to consider the matter be-
fore Monday.

As soon as the premier's proposals
were available, the Irish nationalists met
to discuss the document. The National-
ists held a meeting this morning for the
same purpose.

The government, the letter set forth,
has been desirous of effecting an im-
mediate settlement which will concede the
largest possible measure of home rule
that can be secured by agreement at this
moment, with prejudice to the under-
taking by Parliament of a further and
final settlement of the most disputed
questions after the war. The govern-
ment's proposals provide for the intro-
duction of a bill for the immediate ap-
plication of the home rule act to Ire-
land, but excluding the six counties of
northeast Ulster, such exclusion to be
subject to reconsideration by Parlia-
ment at the end of five years; a council
of Ireland, to be composed of two dele-
gations, representing the excluded area
as well as the new Irish Parliament;
consideration of the bill after its second
reading by a special conference under
the chairmanship of someone com-
manding general confidence.

As an alternative, it is suggested by
the premier that a convention of Irish-
men of all parties be assembled for the
purpose of arranging a scheme of Irish
self-government.

MORE POWER TO PRESIDENT

To Prevent Obstruction of Commerce
During the War.

Washington, D. C., May 17.—A pro-
vision empowering the president to use the
nation's armed forces to prevent any ob-
struction "to the orderly conduct of
movement of interstate or foreign com-
merce" during the war was written into
the administration's preferential ship-
ment bill yesterday at a conference be-
tween President Wilson and Chairman
Newlands and Adamson, of the congres-
sional interstate commerce committee.

Immediately afterward the revised
measure was introduced in the Senate by
Senator Newlands, and in the House by
Representative Adamson, replacing the
original measure presented Tuesday by
Representative Webb. The provision of
the Webb resolution, giving presidential
authority to stipulate what commodities
shall have preference in movement of
freight, are included bodily with ampli-
fications in the new bill.

One provision added to the preferential
shipment section would make it a mis-
demeanor punishable by a fine of \$1,000
and five years' imprisonment for any car-
rier or its employees to fail to comply
promptly with a preferential shipment
order. Another would give the inter-
state commerce commission authority to
fix a just compensation for any extra-
ordinary service rendered by a carrier on
complying with such an order.

The new section regarding obstruction
to commerce is cast in comprehensive
terms making a misdemeanor punishable
by a fine of \$100 and imprisonment for
six months "for knowingly and willfully,
by physical force, threats or intimidat-
ion, obstruct or retard, or aid in ob-
structing or retarding, the passage of the
United States mail, or any carriage,
horse, driver, or carrier, carrying the
same, or the orderly conduct or move-
ment in the United States of interstate
or foreign commerce, or the orderly
make-up or movement or disposition of
any locomotive, car or other vehicle on
any railroad in the United States en-
gaged in interstate or foreign commerce."

To prevent any of these offenses the
president would be authorized "when-
ever in his judgment the public interest
requires, to employ the armed forces of
the United States."

INFANT'S BODY IN RIVER.

Discovery Made at Waterbury and Mat-
ter Is Referred to State's Attorney.

Waterbury, May 17.—While L. J. Rob-
erts was working on the Duxbury side
of the Winouski river late yesterday
afternoon, he saw an object lying on
some driftwood in the river which
aroused his suspicions, and on investi-
gating he found that the object was the
body of an infant. Mr. Roberts notified
Deputy Sheriff H. J. Pancher and later
Selectman John Dillon and Health Officer
A. H. Hopkins were called. The body
was pulled ashore and Dr. Hopkins, who
examined the remains, said the body had
been put in the water just after birth,
but he was not able to state without
autopsy whether or not the child was
alive at birth. It was the body of a girl.
Efforts were made to communicate
with State's Attorney Gleason at Mont-
pelier, but it was not until this morning
that he could be located. The matter is
now in his hands. It is possible that the
body may have been in the water two
weeks, or it may have been placed there
more recently.

MAY INCREASE INCOME TAX.

Vigorous Movement Has Been Started in
the House.

Washington, May 17.—A vigorous
movement to increase the proposed in-
come tax rates of the revenue bill an-
other 25 per cent on all amounts above
\$40,000 started in the House yesterday
under the leadership of Representative
Lenroot, Republican, of Wisconsin, and
Representative Sherry, Democrat, of
Kentucky.

Over the determined opposition of
Democratic Leader Kitchin and Repre-
sentative Fordney of Michigan and Hill
of Connecticut, Republicans, the insur-
gents succeeded in obtaining in the com-
mittee of the whole their proposed in-
crease from 8 to 10 per cent on incomes
between \$40,000 and \$60,000 and to-day
they will resume their fight determined
to elevate every division, until incomes
above \$500,000 would pay almost 60 per
cent.

Fred Gauthier of Plainfield was in the
city yesterday to attend the reunion of
Spanish-American war veterans at Dr.
Joe W. Jackson's camp in upper Graniteville.
Nelson Lemay, who was in the city
last evening to act as groomsmen at the
Noel-Barclay nuptials, returned this
morning to his home in Littleton, N. H.

SIX SOCIALISTS ENTER CABINET

Russia's Crisis May Be Now
Considered as Set-
tled

GOVERNMENT POLICY HAS BEEN APPROVED

Petrograd Despatch Gives
Encouragement to the
Allies

Petrograd, via London, May 17.—The
cabinet crisis may be considered settled.
The declaration of the government's pol-
icy has been accepted by representatives
of the council of workmen and soldiers'
delegates with merely alterations, and
will be signed by both parties without
delay. It has been decided to take into
the cabinet five representatives of differ-
ent Socialist groups, which, with A. F.
Kerensky, who assumes the war portfo-
lio, will make a total of six of these
groups sharing in the government.

FOUR OF CREW LOST FROM AMERICAN SHIP

The Hilonian Was Torpedoed and Sunk
Off Genoa, Italy, According to
Cablegram to Her Owners
in New York.

New York, May 17.—The American
steamship Hilonian has been torpedoed
and sunk off Genoa, Italy, with a loss of
four of the crew, according to a cable-
gram to the owners, the Universal Trans-
portation company.

The Hilonian was not armed. She
left here April 27 for Genoa, commanded
by Capt. H. H. Williams and carrying a
crew of 39, of whom 18 were American
citizens.

NEWPORT MAN CHOSEN.

E. E. Jenne Grand Patriarch of Odd Fel-
lows' Encampment.

Rutland, May 17.—The time of the
sessions of the Vermont Odd Fellows'
convention in this city yesterday was
given up to the meeting of the grand
encampment and the following officers
were elected: Grand patriarch, E. E.
Jenne, Newport; grand high priest, J. M.
Jewett, Proctorsville; grand scribe, E. F.
Nash, Burlington; grand scribe, Gerry
F. Walker, Bellows Falls; grand treas-
urer, Charles G. Staples, Brattleboro;
grand junior warden, H. L. Smith, Brattleboro.

The report of the secretary showed
that the membership of the encampment
branch in the state is 1,804, there having
been a net gain of 102 in a year. Dur-
ing the morning session, at which W. D.
Wilson of St. Albans presided, the de-
gree was worked on 14 candidates. Various
committees made their reports, showing
that the condition of the order
was highly satisfactory.

The meeting was addressed by Grand
Master Frederick W. Pierce of Massachu-
setts and Grand Master F. B. Peabody
of Maine. Grand Treasurer Johnson of
Massachusetts spoke yesterday afternoon.
Last night the encampment banquet
was held at the Hotel Bardwell. The
speakers were Deputy Grand Sir Henry
V. Voorst of Amsterdam, N. Y., Grand
Sir Alfred S. Pinkerton of Worcester,
Mass., and Grand Representative Charles S.
Emerson of Milford, N. H.

The other guests of honor included:
Grand Master J. G. Roy of East Barnet,
Grand Patriarch W. D. Wilson of St.
Albans, Emogene Buck of Randolph,
president of the Rebekah state assembly;
Grand Master Frank M. Cilley of Exeter,
N. H.; Grand Patriarch Ernest
W. Sanford of Albany, N. Y.; Grand
Patriarch F. B. Peabody of Richmond,
Me.; Grand Treasurer Johnson of Massachu-
setts; Grand Patriarch T. J. Phelps of
Tilton, N. H.

ADOPTED BY HOUSE.

Conference Report on War Army Bill
Did Not Bring Out Record Vote.

Washington, May 17.—The conference
report on the war army bill was adopted
by the House without a record vote
late yesterday, after Representative
Dent had announced that the Senate
conference had agreed to the House pro-
vision increasing the pay of enlisted
men. Final action must be taken by
the Senate.

The section regarding pay as agreed to
by the conferees provides that all offi-
cers and enlisted men of the forces to
be raised by conscription shall have the
same pay, allowance and pensions as the
regular army, and makes these in-
creases in the pay of enlisted regulars:
Those receiving \$15 to \$21 per month, an
increase of \$15 per month; those receiv-
ing \$24 an increase of \$12; those receiv-
ing \$30, \$36 or \$40, an increase of
\$8; and those receiving \$46 or more, an
increase of \$6.

SEVERAL ENTRIES MADE

By Judge Wilson in Washington County
Court.

Judge Stanley C. Wilson in county
court this forenoon ordered entries made
in the following cases:
Hagin-Stair company vs. Montpelier
& Wells River railroad, judgment on
debt, exceptions by the defendant; Mar-
celino del Campo vs. Manuel Erboeco et
al, judgment on verdict, full certificate
granted, exceptions by defendant; Joseph
Perkins vs. G. R. and Harry Bianchi,
motion to set aside verdict overruled, ex-
ceptions by defendant, judgment on ver-
dict, exceptions by the defendant; Pettin
for divorce dismissed.

The chancery case of Elroy F. Leavitt,
administrator, vs. Walter P. Wells et ux,
foreclosure, was entered to-day with the
county clerk. J. W. Carver appears for
the creditor and J. W. Gordon for the de-
fendants.

TWO SMALLPOX CASES ARE QUARANTINED IN NORTHFIELD

Mrs. George DeGeorge, a Resident of
That Village, and Mrs. Nellie B.
Spaulding of Roxbury, the Latter
of Whom Caught Disease on
Train and Gave It to Sister.

Northfield, May 17.—Two cases of
smallpox are quarantined at the house
of George DeGeorge on Main street, the
patients being Mrs. DeGeorge and her
sister, Mrs. Nellie B. Spaulding of Rox-
bury, who came here for a visit to her
sister pending a divorce trial in Wash-
ington county court in which she was
the defendant. Mrs. DeGeorge contracted
the disease from her sister, and the
latter became infected by riding on the
train from Roxbury to Northfield which
carried Mrs. Gertrude Hine, the woman
who was detained at Essex Junction and
is now in quarantine in that village. The
date of that trip was April 12 and Mrs.
Spaulding came down with the disease on
April 26, just 14 days after riding on the
train. Other cases have broken out in
other parts of the state because of in-
fection taken from Mrs. Hine, who was
on her way from Springfield, Mass., to
Belvidere and who had a well developed
case.

It is thought probable that persons in
both Roxbury and Northfield were ex-
posed to the disease from the Spaulding
woman, although it is said that Mrs.
Spaulding did not about much in
Northfield, visiting, however, the office of
her attorney, W. C. White, and a few
other places.

Mrs. DeGeorge was taken sick Sunday
night, and Dr. W. B. Mayo was called on
Monday night. The house on Main street
is now under quarantine, the restraint
also covering another family living in a
tenement in the same building. As yet
no public places have been closed in this
village. Mrs. DeGeorge is said not to be
very ill. Her sister, Mrs. Spaulding, is
getting over the disease.

MUCH FESTIVITY

At the Banquet of Junior Branch of So-
lidity of Blessed Virgin.

On Wednesday evening the junior
branch of the Solidity of the Blessed
Virgin of St. Monica's church held its
annual entertainment and supper in the
Knights of Columbus hall. The tables
were prettily decorated and the hall had
all the appearance of much festivity.
Rev. Fr. P. M. McKenna was the guest
of honor and during the evening he spoke
words of encouragement and good cheer,
taking the occasion to congratulate the
Juniors warmly for recent successes in
their department. Supper was served at
8 o'clock and was followed by a most en-
joyable program, which included the fol-
lowing numbers:

Piano solo, Miss Ruth Vania; recita-
tion, "The Month of May," Madeline
Gladding; vocal solo, "In the Tree-Tops,"
Lillian Papin; Japanese song, Olive Can-
ton; Dorothy McMahon; Loretta Panton,
and Loretta Hamel; recitation, "Quo
Vadis, Rabboni?" (Whither Goest Thou,
Master?), M. Lander; two-part song,
Stella Cook, Doris Morrison, Margaret To-
mas, Lillian Papin, Dorothy Wiley, De-
lores Carroll, Mildred Lander, Katherine
Brown.

"Kindness Rewarded" was the title of
a refreshing little one-act drama in which
five of the sodality children participated.
The cast was as follows: "Madame Ber-
ton," a poor widow, Dorothy Brown;
"Julia" and "Ernestine," her daughters,
Katherine Hamel and Doris Burke; the
"Countess of Ranzoff," Katherine Brown;
a maid of the countess, Katherine Papin.
A tableau followed in which "The Star
Spangled Banner" was sung.

Great praise is due the following ladies
of the parish, who helped to make the
evening a memorable one for the junior so-
dalists: Mrs. F. Burke, Mrs. P. Brown,
Mrs. A. H. Burke, Miss A. Tyndall, Miss
F. Holland, Miss G. Brady, Miss F. Brady,
Miss N. Sadlier, Miss M. McKenna, Mrs.
J. McMahon and Mrs. McDonald.

A vote of thanks is extended the
Knights of Columbus, who kindly gave
the use of the hall for the occasion.

VERMONT BUSINESS TROUBLES.

John and James B. Tassie of Barre File
Petition.

Rutland, May 17.—A petition in bank-
ruptcy was filed in the office of United
States court yesterday afternoon by
John Tassie and James B. Tassie as in-
dividuals and as a partnership, doing
business under the firm name of Tassie
Brothers, of Barre. The brothers conducted
a meat and grocery establishment. The
case has been referred to William N.
Theriault, referee.

The partnership has debts of \$3,720.92
in unsecured claims and one claim of
\$800, which is secured by a mortgage.
The unsecured claims are held mostly by
wholesale concerns in this and other
states for goods delivered to the bank-
rupt concern.

Neither of the brothers has any li-
abilities listed in his individual petition.
John F. Tassie has assets of \$300, all
claimed exempt, and James B. Tassie has
assets of \$350, all of which is claimed ex-
empt.

SUICIDE BY SHOOTING

Robert D. Davies, Rutland Barber, Was
Dead When Deed Was Discovered.

Rutland, May 17.—Robert D. Davies,
who for 14 years had been a barber in
this city, committed suicide at his room
in the St. James hotel here yesterday
by shooting himself in the head. He was
found by a chambermaid after he died.
Davies is survived by his wife and two
children, from whom he had lived apart
for some time. He was 42 years old.
The man recently figured as respondent
in an illegal liquor selling case and it
is said that the probability of a big fine by
the government because he had paid no
federal excise tax was the reason for his
act. He belonged to the Masons, Odd
Fellows, Foresters and Woodmen.

Joseph Bennett, a River street man, is
at the City hospital receiving treatment
for an injury to a leg. It is reported
that the patient sustained his injury in
falling through a trestle, but the details
of the accident are lacking. He was re-
moved to the hospital Tuesday night
and physicians who are attending him
say that a day or two may elapse before
they can determine whether any bones
are fractured.

MORE WARSHIPS ARE ON THE WAY

The U. S. Navy Department
Adds That Men Are Prop-
erly Equipped

COMPLETE OUTFITS FOR COLD WEATHER

First Contingent Went So
Promptly They Could
Not Be Prepared

Washington, D. C., May 17.—A report
from Queenstown that the sailors of the
American destroyer flotilla which has
arrived in the war zone were not supplied
with warm enough clothing for the cold
latitude was explained to-day by the
fact that the destroyers sailed from
American ports before supplies could be
put on board. Complete outfits of heavy
woolen and rubber clothing are now on
the way to the men.

The crews of every destroyer which
has left subsequently have been com-
pletely outfitted. To the women of the
United States is due the credit for this
measure of protection. Under the di-
rection of the Navy league, thousands of
American women have been knitting
woolen garments and a special fund has
been raised to buy rubber coats and felt
boots. American warships never before
have been called upon for service in
such cold climates and, therefore, the
regulation clothing outfit was not suit-
able for North sea service against subma-
rines.

NOEL—BARCLAY.

Barre Girl the Bride of Claremont, N. H.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Caro-
line Barclay, daughter of Mrs. Mary Bar-
clay and Frederick J. Noel of Claremont,
N. H., took place at the home of the
bride's mother, 57 Park street, last even-
ing at 8 o'clock. Only the immediate
family members witnessed the ceremony,
which was performed by Rev. J. W. Bar-
nett, pastor of the Congregational church.
Miss Grace D. Barclay, a sister of the
bride, and Nelson Lemay of Littleton,
N. H., an intimate friend of the groom,
were the attendants. The bride wore a
traveling suit of blue, with a hat to
match. She carried a bouquet of lilies of
the valley. Her bridesmaid wore a white
suit and carried sweet peas. The double
ring service was used.

Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Noel
left on a wedding journey preparatory to
their departure around June 1 for San-
tiago, Chili, South America, where the
groom has accepted a post in the South
American service of the Sullivan Machin-
ery Co.

The bride is very well known in Barre,
having attended the city schools and
later graduated from the Waltham
Mass., training school for nurses. After-
ward she pursued a post-graduate course
in the Corry Hill hospital, Brookline,
Mass. More recently she was engaged as
a medical inspector in the public
schools of Barre. Mr. Noel is an alu-
mnus of Spaulding high school and Nor-
wich university. After leaving the mili-
tary college he served for five years in
the Philippines as a member of the
mounted constabulary. A year ago he
became connected with the Sullivan Ma-
chinery Co. Mr. and Mrs. Noel received
numerous useful wedding gifts.

Among those who came from a dis-
tance to attend the ceremony were Mrs.
George H. Gilman, a sister of the bride,
and her daughter, Virginia, of Claremont,
N. H.

ALL UP FOR PARADE.

Final Preparations Nearly Completed for
Barre's Big Rally.

For the next few days the most popu-
lar slogan in Barre is going to be "All
up for the big parade and flag-raising
Saturday afternoon." Committees in
charge of various phases of the "Wake
Up America" demonstration, which is
to be held under the auspices of the Ital-
ian-American citizens of the city, are
working daily on the program, and civic
organizations, fraternal orders and num-
erous societies are practicing prepared-
ness by getting ready for what will un-
doubtedly be the longest parade in the
history of Barre. The parade will form
in Currier park at 1 o'clock, and after
covering a route to be designated by the
committee, it will bring up at the cor-
ner of Central and North Main streets,
where the flag is to be raised.

The speakers, Gov. Graham, Col.
Reeves and Atty. T. R. Serre of New
York, will occupy a balcony near the
scene of the flag-raising. After the exer-
cises, the Italian A. C. and Goddard exer-
cises will stage a flag raising of their
own at the Berlin street grounds, where
a baseball game for the benefit of the
Red Cross is to be played.

Musicians of Barre and Montpelier,
who may lead the parade, are asked to
call at the Italian Pleasure club in the
Scamplin building this evening at 6:30
o'clock. Band music will be one of the
big outstanding features of the parade
and every effort is being made to enlist
musicians from a wide area. The city
council meets to-morrow evening to com-
plete plans for its part in the program
and a number of sub-committees are
to meet frequently before Saturday.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Private Justin Barber of the Headquar-
ters company, stationed at Fort Ethan
Allen, is confined at his home here by
illness.

Lloyd Parker, who has been visiting
his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Parker,
left yesterday for Windsor, where he is
employed. Mr. Parker will go to Fitch-
burg, Mass., next week.

John Griffin of North Main street re-
ceived a telegram yesterday advising him
of the death in Almonte, Ont., of Mrs.
George Morin. Earlier in the week Mrs.
T. J. Denning of Park street, Mrs. Thom-
as Griffin and Francis Griffin were sum-
moned to Almonte by Mrs. Morin's ill-
ness, but they were unable to reach their
destination before she died. Funeral
services were held yesterday.

FATALLY SHOT MOTHER AND KILLED HIMSELF IN MONTPELIER HOME

Angelo Bianchi, Aged 3, Had Brooded
Over Ill Health And It Is Possible
That He Was Temporarily Unbal-
anced When He Perpetrated the Dou-
ble Tragedy

MRS. CLEMENTINA BIANCHI LINGERED THREE HOURS

Bullet Went Through Her Right Lung
And She Did Not Regain Conscious-
ness After Rushing Out on the Piazza
—No One Saw the Tragedy And the
Cause Is Uncertain

While perhaps temporarily unbalanced
by brooding over ill health, Angelo Bi-
anchi, aged 36, of Montpelier shot and
fatally wounded his mother, Mrs. Clem-
entina Bianchi, and then killed himself
at their home, 236 Barre street, this fore-
noon. The young man is thought to have
died instantly, as a bullet pierced his
heart, but the woman lingered for about
three hours after she rushed out on the
piazza of her house and fell unconscious
across a chair. The bullet passed through
her right lung. She died at 1:30 this
afternoon.

No one in the neighborhood heard the
shots fired, and nothing was known of
the tragedy until Mrs. Bianchi was seen
to run out of the house and then fall.
That was at 10:30 o'clock. Anton Cicci
was passing along the street at the time,
and he climbed to the piazza of the house
and with the aid of several Italian wom-
en residing in the vicinity carried the
unconscious woman into the house and
laid her on a couch in the hallway. Mean-
while E. Parro, who conducts a
store just across Barre street, and who
had also seen the woman fall, telephoned
to Mrs. Bianchi's daughter, Miss Selma
Bianchi, who is employed as a clerk in the
McGuire store. Physicians were also
summoned at once.

When Mrs. Bianchi was carried into
the house, the body of her son, Angelo,
was found propped up in bed with a
bullet hole through the heart; and the
full extent of the tragedy was then re-
alized for the first time. Near by lay a
32-calibre revolver, with two chambers
empty. Later, after the city authori-
ties had arrived, permission was given
for the removal of the body of the young
man to undertaking rooms.

Dr. M. F. McGuire was the first phy-
sician to arrive to care for Mrs. Bianchi,
and he at once expressed the opinion that
the woman had not long to live. A casu-
al examination showed that the bullet
had passed through the right lung, but
whether the bullet entered from the breast
or from the back could not be de-
termined without further examination.
It is probable that the woman attempt-
ed to flee when she saw her son with the
revolver in his hands and that the bullet
struck her in the back.

No sounds of quarreling were heard by
the neighbors, and nothing is known of
the events leading up to the tragedy. It
is known, however, that the young man,
who was rapidly failing from consump-
tion, had been irritable and quick-tem-
pered; and some of the acquaintances of
the family state that there had not been
the best of feeling on the part of the
young man toward his mother.